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ECK AND NECK
IN PRIMARY RACE

With One-Fifth of Vote
in Beveridge Leading
39,528 to 37,684

BALLOT REPORT SLOW

But Returns Too Incomplete
to Permit Prediction as
to Final Outcome

GOVERNOR RALSTON WINS

Harding's Sympathies With
New and His Defeat Will
Cause Great Alarm

INDIANAPOLIS, May 2.—Primary election returns for 728 of the 2,352 precincts in Indiana gave Albert J. Beveridge, former senator, a total of 39,528 votes against 37,684 for Senator Harry S. New in his contest for the republican nomination for United States senator. The vote was scattered among 75 of the 92 counties of the state, representing about a fifth of the state.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 2.—Returns from 520 of the 3,352 precincts in Indiana gave Albert J. Beveridge a lead of 1,500 votes over Senator Harry S. New in his contest at the primary election for the republican nomination for United States senator. Beveridge's total was 28,291 against 26,820 for New.

Supporters of former Governor Ralston tonight continued their claims that he had won the democratic nomination for United States senator by a large majority in today's state-wide primary election.

Six republicans won the nomination for the national house of representatives without opposition. They were Oscar R. Luning, Samuel Lambdin, who is seeking to succeed James Dunbar, resigned; John S. Bennett, Everett Sanders, Milton Kraus and Andrew J. Hickey. All excepting Lambdin are incumbents. One democrat, William F. Spooner, received the nomination without opposition.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Political Washington literally stood still today with its eyes on barometrical Indiana.

The heat of Indiana's political pulse, as revealed in today's primaries, is expected here by both republican and democratic leaders alike to afford the best clue to insight into the present state of the country politically, and more particularly the feeling of the country generally towards the Harding administration.

A "pendulum" state. Like Ohio, the hoosier state is always classed as a political pendulum swinging first to one side and then to the other. Evenly divided between industry and agriculture, Indiana affords a good cross section of the country as a whole, and it would be difficult to exaggerate the interest which the White House and congress feel in today's contents.

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New Harding's "Acc." Senator New has made his campaign almost entirely on the issue of "accusing the president." No senator in Washington is more closely allied with the White House, both personally and politically, than is Senator New. He is recognized as the administration's spokesman on the hill and his support of the administration of President Harding has been unwavering in every respect.

Senator Beveridge is attempting that most difficult of all tasks—a comeback. It is the first time he has stood for election on a straight republican ticket since he foresook the party banner and ran as an independent in 1912. He is frankly critical of some of the administration's policies, chiefly those with regard to railroads and taxation, and he has campaigned the state from stem to stern appealing to the "progressive thought" as against "conservative thought."

The White House has kept "hands off" the Indiana fight, following over President Harding's previously announced policy of not taking sides in any republican factional fight. It is an open secret, however, where the sympathies of the administration lie and a defeat for Harry New would be accepted by the president's friends as alarming.

The democrats, too, would be quick to capitalize the defeat of President Harding's close political friend as a repudiation of the administration by Indiana republicans and they would be cheered mightily by such a result.

Proke, Farm Hand Demand. TOPEKA, May 2.—Plans for a state-wide survey of the Topeka demand for harvest labor in Kansas and wages that will be paid by farmers for harvest help were made at the conference here today between representatives of state and federal and labor bureaus in Kansas.

THE WEATHER

TULSA, May 2.—Maximum 70, minimum 42. Wind, partly cloudy, precipitation .25 inches.

United States Government
Will Probe and Prosecute
All Wartime Fraud Cases

President Requests House for Special Appropriations Totaling Half Million to Be Used by Department of Justice in Investigating All Contracts.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Steps were taken by the executive and legislative branches of the government today for investigation and prosecution with vigor of wartime fraud cases.

President Harding sent to the house a request for a special appropriation of \$500,000 to be used by the department of justice to investigate and prosecute all cases, civil or criminal, growing out of the war.

Simultaneously, Attorney-General Daugherty announced the appointment of former Representative Roscoe McCullough of Ohio, as a special assistant attorney-general, to take charge of the government's investigation and possible criminal prosecution of cases involving war contracts and expenditures.

The house rules committee also prepared to take up tomorrow the question of giving privileged status to the Johnson-Woodruff resolution calling for appointment of a special committee to investigate all contracts and expenditures by the war and navy departments and the alien property custodian during and since the war, and the settlement of government claims arising out of such contracts.

The attorney-general, in announcing the appointment of Mr. McCullough, said he had written the chairman of the house rules committee that the department of justice had no objection to its investigation and "to go along with it."

TULSA GETS NEW
ADMINISTRATION

Business Slate Briskly
Cleaned for New Set
of City Officials

NEW MAYOR SPEAKS

Uncle Sam to Object
Expects to Cut Payroll, Making
His Term One of
Strictest Economy

"We want to thank you for the flowers and for the crowd; your attendance at our inauguration shows your interest in the beginning of our administration. We realize we have a tremendous job ahead of us—we are not going into office blindly. I have served under four different mayors and I know what it is to serve the city."

"We expect criticism—we'll probably get it whether we expect it or not. But we will take it in the best spirit. We will welcome the criticism that is constructive—we want your co-operation and advice. This will not be an oratorical administration, for none of us is an orator; we're going to give you the business administration we know how."

"We'll be glad to see any of you at the city hall if you have business matters that need attention, but if you want to come up here to loaf we don't want you. The city's indebtedness is 11 or 12 millions, for which the sinking fund and interest must be provided by taxation. We want to make the city government as economical as possible, and we expect to cut the payroll as much as is consistent with an efficient administration."

"Best for the Money." This was the brief inaugural address of Mayor H. F. Newbloom a few minutes after he and his associates had been inducted into office.

Chicago Jeweler Robbed. CHICAGO, May 2.—Diamonds and jewelry valued at \$5,000 were obtained by three bandits who today held up Louis Kirschbaum, jeweler. The bandits escaped after tying Kirschbaum and locking him in a rear room.

Secrets of the Culinary Art to Be
Divulged at World Cooking School

When THE WORLD'S BETTER HOMES EXPOSITION AND COOKING SCHOOL opens in Convention hall next Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock the women of Tulsa will have free access to all the latest things in the realm of cooking and in the art of general home beautification and improvement.

Featuring domestic science talks and demonstrations carried on in a model kitchen, Mrs. Florence Austin Chase of Chicago, the noted domestic science and home equipment authority, who is to conduct this exposition for The World, will also give practical talks and examples in connection with the best accepted methods of making the home beautiful.

A large number of attractively arranged exhibits will be on display for the inspection of everyone in attendance. These exhibits are planned to include furniture, draperies, wall paper and paints, electrical appliances, musical instruments, pictures and art goods, china, glassware, table linens, laundry and basement accessories, lawn and garden equipment—everything, in fact, that makes for convenience and beauty in and about the home.

Watch for detailed programs of all sessions of the exposition to be published by The World in advance. Admission to the exhibition will be free, and all women of Tulsa and vicinity are cordially invited to attend every session. Don't forget the dates—May 8, 9, 10, 11, 12. Bring a pencil, notebook, spoon and saucer.

GET NAMES OF
MEN WHO FIRED
LAWTON CHURCH

County Attorney Is Digging Deep Into Assault on Pastor

DISCOVER MANY CLUES

Inquiry Court Probing Attack on Rev. Irwin Saturday Is Getting Results

LAY SUSPICION ON SCORES

All Church Members Suspended by Board Under Cloud Until Report Is Made

By The Associated Press. LAWTON, May 2.—"I know positively who set fire to the First Presbyterian church," County Attorney Fletcher Riley stated tonight at the conclusion of today's inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the bitter Lawton Presbyterian church controversy, which was brought within the jurisdiction of the civil authorities through incendiary efforts to destroy the church building and an attack last Saturday upon Pastor Thomas J. Irwin.

County Attorney Riley said there were elements in today's session of the court of inquiry which encouraged him in the effort to establish the identity of the three men who Mr. Irwin says attacked and abducted him.

"I have every reason to believe that we will be successful in getting to the bottom of the matter," he said, "but to divulge the nature of the progress so far made would hamper us in our further investigation."

Knows the Fire Bugs. "I will state at this time, however, that I positively know who set fire to the First Presbyterian church and when the present inquiry reaches a stage where such action will not upset our plans, I will take immediate action against the responsible parties."

The inquiry was continued until an early hour tonight, and at adjournment the county attorney announced other witnesses would be called tomorrow.

Among the witnesses examined today were State Senator Elmer Thomas to whose hotel at Medicine Park, near here, the Reverend Irwin was taken, and the Reverend Irwin himself, who was found bound and gagged last Sunday. It was to Thomas that Irwin first told the story of his abduction.

Thomas stated the circumstances of the arrival of the party at his hotel and reiterated the story of the kidnapping as told him by Mr. Irwin. It was understood.

Other witnesses were T. Terhune, Frank Burleson, Clyde Burleson, Tom Brown and Billy Reaser, the five men who found the minister in the ditch near the entrance of Medicine Park.

Others called were present members of the church and several suspended members. All of their testimony was recorded, and in relation to incidents of some kind in the church controversy itself and not in connection with the attack on the pastor.

The Reverend Irwin and three of the members of the church board of sessions resigned, H. C. Lewis, R. Lawrence and J. M. McDuffie, concluded their testimony today.

Members Under Cloud. Considerable fuel will be added to the controversy, it is expected, through the announcement of the county attorney that he knows the identity of the persons responsible for the alleged incendiary fires at the church, which is interpreted by those involved in the controversy as throwing temporary suspicion upon every suspended member of the church.

The principal fire occurred on April 22 and was caused by Pastor Irwin to be of incendiary origin. About \$500 damage was done to an annex built by the late Jake L. Wilson, an Ardmore, Okla., resident, which was used as a church picture film used at the church were placed in a stove and an attempt was made to ignite them.

Mr. Irwin was about the streets today following his appearance at the courthouse and appeared entirely recovered from the effects of the attack upon him.

That the pastor may take some step under ecclesiastical law to circumvent the intent of the El Reno presbytery to try him May 9 on charges of conduct unbecoming a minister in order that he may carry the case to the Oklahoma synod was hinted today.

Mr. Irwin refused to discuss this phase of the matter other than to reiterate his statement that he would stick to his post here and would see that the case was carried to the highest ecclesiastical court in the Presbyterian church.

TULSA IS HARDING GUEST

Eugene Lorton and Senator J. W. Harrell Visit the President.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Senator John W. Harrell and Eugene Lorton of Tulsa were the guests of President and Mrs. Harding at luncheon at the White House today. Harrell and Lorton remained with the president for some time following the luncheon.

PRAYER MEETING TONIGHT.

Minister, Himself Kidnaped,
Tells of
Night Wedding on Sapulpa Road

Rev. Cooke Says Cagle Confessed He Wronged Girl and Agreed to Wed.

A dramatic story of the "kidnaping wedding" performed last Saturday night, somewhere on the Sapulpa road, was told The World last night by the Rev. Harold G. Cooke, formerly pastor of the Centenary Methodist church here and now special representative of the Methodist district conference, who performed the ceremony.

Reverend Cooke said: "For the sake of the reputation of an unfortunate girl, and the future of that girl, I had hoped that there would be no publicity given this matter, and hereby requested that the story be not printed, but should it be necessary, briefly wish to state that Saturday evening about 7:30 I had just reached my home, 1308 North Main which a car drove up whose occupants were unknown, and I was ordered to get into the car. I could not see clearly who was in the car.

Says Cagle Admitted Charges. "I was quickly driven to a point of the Sapulpa road beyond Oakhurst, thence for a short distance in the woods.

"A young man (Cagle) was taken out of another car and asked if he had ever harmed anyone in Tulsa. He answered: 'Yes, a young lady.'"

"He gave her name, Belle Jones. 'What do you intend to do about it?' he was then asked.

"I expected to marry her next week," he replied.

"Then, what you are here for now," the man told him. "A marriage license was then handed me. I examined it. It was in regular form. The young lady then produced a document which she said was a marriage license. I was then requested to marry them. I asked them if the report was true, and they said it was. I further asked if they wanted to marry, and they said they did."

Told Them Who He Was. "I then married them, informed them as to who I was, told them that regardless of who the men were who had brought them there, I was their friend, and would be glad to help them in any way possible, and urged them to put their trust in Jesus, who alone could cleanse them from their wrong doing, and give them strength to live the kind of a

life that was necessary in founding a home. "I was then taken back to my home."

The Reverend Cooke declared there was nothing about the proceedings to lead him to believe the Ku-Klux Klan was involved. None of the men were masked though they all had on goggles and glasses. No robes were in sight and there was no hint of roughness. He said he couldn't identify any of the men, didn't know them.

One of the men to Cagle: "Do not have confidence that all right-thinking men and women will agree with me in the moral issue here involved, and feel that I would be unworthy of the claim to manhood had I not done as I did in this matter."

POLICE GIVEN A
BREATHING SPELL

No Radical Changes Made During First Day of New Regime

Only two new appointments were made by Chief of Police Reece D. Moran Tuesday after taking office. Shortly after noon, these were in the appointment of captains, the two being Harry Bickers and Ned Gritts, both of whom were members of the Evans administration. Bickers having been a traffic officer and Gritts a detective.

That there will be no radical change in the personnel of the department at the present time was the statement of the new chief shortly after taking office. What changes are to be made will be done gradually, Moran said, so that the department will not be disrupted by any sudden changes.

Several changes will probably be announced some time Wednesday, Moran said, but he was not ready to say just what they would be.

Moran Addresses Force. In a brief talk before the entire department at the change of shifts Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, Moran told the present force to go ahead with their duties as if nothing had happened.

"Go right ahead, do your duty," Moran said in part. "Go on as if nothing had happened. Of course, as the changes there may be some changes to make and when there is I come to you personally and tell you. Until then go right ahead with your work." The new chief was loudly applauded as he concluded the short talk.

In an interview later Moran said that these members of the present force who showed themselves competent and efficient would be kept on. "Efficiency will be our watchword, and everything in our power will be done to make a better and more efficient department," Moran said.

May Retain Patrol. Asked whether the bicycle patrol which was instituted under the Evans administration would be continued under the new regime, Moran said that he had not gotten around to the matter yet and until he did, he said, it would be continued as in the past. Just what disposition would be made of it later and whether the proposed economy scheme of the Newbloom administration would force the department to give up the patrol, Moran said he did not know.

Although there have been rumors that there would be a successor to the present Chief of Detectives J. W. Patton, Moran reiterated his statement that there would be no further change in the department at this time.

Several of the police officers have already handed in their resignations. No appointments to fill these vacancies have yet been made, the new chief said.

Among the most important resignations were those of

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SILENT!



Mrs. Chester Cagle.

This is the girl whose sweetheart was kidnaped, taken to a rendezvous on the Sapulpa road and to whom she was married by a minister, who also had been kidnaped and brought to the scene by men he did not know. She refused to discuss the proceedings following the filing of amendment proceedings by her husband's mother.

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Spavinaw Hills
Concern Trying
To Block Tulsa

Attempt Is Made in Mayes County District Court to Tie Up Dam Site.

That the Spavinaw Hill Development company in spite of its announced plan to build a dam on the Spavinaw water project will leave no stone unturned to reap a financial advantage at the expense of the city was plainly evident today when a suit was filed in the district court of Mayes county seeking condemnation of the 40-acre tract which was recently purchased by the water board for dam site purposes.

Following the filing of the suit, which was filed by the city, the water board, which is a body created by the city, is merely a blind to the real purpose, that of coercing the city into paying tribute to a private concern.

W. B. Robinson, attorney for the water board, stated last night that he has written for a copy of the petition and until he received it will be unable to make any statement except that the city suit might to the last ditch any attempt made to hold up the water proposition.

The company seeking to block the city in its water project was organized about four years ago but remained dormant until about the time the bonds were voted when it was reorganized under the name of the Spavinaw Hill Development company. The new chief was loudly applauded as he concluded the short talk.

OFFICER MANGLED
BY FREIGHT TRAIN

Revenge Believed Motive For Attempt Slaying of Sam Adair

BULLETIN. Sam Adair, special agent of the Frisco railroad, mangled by a train Tuesday night, died at 1:30 this morning.

Sam Adair, for the last several years special agent for the Frisco railroad in the West Tulsa yards, was found in an unconscious condition late Tuesday night lying among the rails of the railroad tracks in the outskirts of the yards opposite the Mid-Continent racing track. When discovered the left leg was cut entirely off and the right foot so badly mangled that amputation below the knee was necessary. His skull had also been injured, physicians said.

Attending physicians at the Tulsa hospital, where he was taken, said that at the present time his recovery was doubtful owing to the fact

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Pleads With Parents of Youth to Drop Annulment Suit and Save Girl's Name.

you know who we are?" he asked. "Yes, the invisible empire."

Questioned Them Extensively. The minister said he and those who took him to the scene of the wedding had a very short time to wait before the other party showed up with Cagle. He said he believed the girl was in the back seat of the automobile in which he rode, although he was not certain.

Reverend Cooke said he questioned the young man and young woman quite extensively before marrying them. He didn't think to ask Cagle his age. He said he thought Cagle looked of age.

He asked the girl if she ever had been married and she told him she had, and had a little son (four years old), she told him she was divorced from her first husband. He didn't ask her age either.

Regarding the filing of the annulment petition, Reverend Cooke said:

Cooke Pleads With Parents. "It is a tremendous mistake to interfere in this marriage. The young man positively stated that he is the father of the baby-to-be. Regardless of his age, a man old enough to become a father is old enough to carry the responsibility of his deed. It is incumbent upon me to see how a mother or father would seek to shield their son in such a deed.

He asked the girl if she was equally guilty with him, but the young man said he was not. It has a God-given right to a name. No one has a right to deprive it of its proper name. It is a matter of major portion to make such a name. In the name of the innocent, I plead with the father and mother of this young man to withdraw their action around this marriage. The time has come in our nation's history when we must recognize the rights of innocent babes, and when men and women must carry the full responsibility of their misdoings. As far as I am concerned, I am willing, as a minister of the gospel, and a lover of humanity, to do all I can to that end."

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FIRE BURNS ROOF
OF U. S. TREASURY

Brought Under Control After Threatening Heavy Damage

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Flames which burst from the roof of the treasury department shortly after 1:30 a. m. today, eating their way through a super-structure, and spreading to the central portions of the roof, were brought under control after threatening heavy damage to the building.

Leaping 20 feet or more in the air, the flames lit up a large part of the downtown section and sparks were wafted across the street to the White House. Awakened by the fire, White House attendants, President and Mrs. Harding dressed and watched the progress of the flames from a window.

Following an explosion of chemicals stored where the fire originated, the flames appeared to be rapidly gaining headway. Four alarms had been turned in 15 minutes after the fire was discovered.

Several smaller explosions occurred in quick succession as the flames rose to a height of 30 or 40 feet and appeared to be enveloping the entire central portion of the roof. Sparks from the fire were swept by a light southeast wind in the general direction of the White House.

Thirty minutes after the fire began the glow from the leaping flames was lighting up the entire downtown section of the city, cast a dull glow over the White House.

ELKS TO STATE MEETING

Hold Smoker at Which Plans Are Laid for Delegation to Attend.

At a well attended smoker and meeting of the Elks lodge held Tuesday night in the Elks club building, Third street and Boulder avenue, plans were laid for a large representation from the local lodge to the state convention which will be held in Henryetta two hours later.

William West, past exalted ruler, and president of the Oklahoma State Elks association, gave a report to the lodge membership of the things they might expect at the convention, according to Jack Telford, who is a member of the state convention committee of the state convention. Every Elks who expects to attend the convention should so notify either the secretary, Goldsaid, or President West.

Revolvers Fortify. DUBLIN, May 2.—The buildings seized by Dublin by the disident republican fringe remain in their possession and they repudiate all rumors that there is any intention on their part to surrender the city. One considering the port as usual, but the seizure of the north board buildings has made it impossible to collect shipping dues.

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YOUTH KIDNAPED,
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DIVORCEE, CHARGE

Chester Cagle's Parents Sue to Annul Marriage to Belle Jones

KLAN IS MENTIONED

Boy Says One of Abductors Said He Represented the 'Invisible Empire'

BETRAYED GIRL IS CHARGE

Youth Says He Was Warned If He Ever Left Her, Life Would Be the Forfeit

Charging that he was kidnaped last Saturday just at dusk by five unmasked men, blindfolded, placed in an automobile and carried by a circuitous route far into the country where, bound to a gas engine, handcuffed and at the point of pistols was compelled to marry a former sweetheart whom he was accused of betraying, Chester Cagle, who says he is a minor 20 years old, filed suit in district court late Tuesday through his mother, Mrs. E. Cagle, asking that his marriage to Belle Cagle, nee Jones, be annulled.

Cagle declared one of his abductors told him he represented the "invisible empire." Despite its legal phrasing, the petition reads like a story from the Arabian Nights, and undoubtedly is one of the most remarkable narratives that ever found its way into the local courts.

Rev. Cooke Married Them. The story of the wedding as told by the minister for annulment was supplemented by a more complete statement from young Cagle, who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cagle at 616 West Easton and who talked freely of the case. He said the marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Harold G. Cooke, and this was confirmed later when Reverend Cooke told The World that he had been asked to perform the ceremony at the country, where he married the couple.

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